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A QUANTITATIVE ANALYSIS OF MOLLUSCAN COLLECTIONS FROM ISLA ESPÍRITU SANTO, BAJA CALIFORNIA, MEXICO

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On a reconnaissance trip to Espíritu Santo Island, made November 1, 1959, we noticed, as we waded ashore at Candelero Bay, an unusual concentration of fine drift shells. About three pounds of the material was brought back for sorting. From this, plus the larger shells picked up during a moderately low tide that day, there resulted a total count of nearly 200 molluscan species, which at the time seemed indicative of a very rich fauna offshore.

A second trip to the area in August, 1960, yielded living specimens of *Berthelinia*, a bivalved gastropod (Keen and Smith, 1961), as well as several other obviously new species, adding to the conviction that more intensive work should be done here.

A longer survey was undertaken in December, 1960, under the auspices of the California Academy of Sciences and the Belvedere Scientific Fund. Facilities were provided both for shore collecting and for dredging. The party consisted of Dr. Robert C. Miller of the California Academy, Dr. and Mrs. Ira Wiggins of Stanford University, Drs. Antonio Garcia Cubas and Alejandro Vil-

lalobos Figueroa, professors from the Instituto de Biología, University of Mexico, and myself. We spent nine days (December 12-21) aboard a barge anchored in El Cardonal, an embayment to the north of Candelero Bay -- technically on Isla Partida rather than on Isla Espíritu Santo proper.

DESCRIPTION OF THE AREA

Isla Espíritu Santo, about 12 miles long, lies some 20 miles north of La Paz, at 24° 30' North Latitude, 110° 30' West Longitude. It consists of two parts -- Isla Partida to the north and Espíritu Santo proper, the junction between being a narrow neck of land that is submerged at high tide. Both parts are of volcanic origin, composed of old lava flows and volcanic agglomerates forming east-west parallel ridges. The outer or eastern face rises steeply from the Gulf of California, and the land surface tilts at a low angle to the westward. Between the ridges on the western side are a number of tongue-shaped shallow bays that resemble drowned stream valleys. At the heads of most of these are beaches veneered with "coral" sand, consisting of broken fragments of organically derived calcium carbonate, intermixed with fine to coarse particles of volcanic tuffs. Some of the bays are extremely shallow and nearly level, depths being from a few inches to a few feet. Others have a deeper channel near the center. One of the latter sort is El Cardonal -- that being the name used on the U.S. Hydrographic Chart No. 1664 (24th edition, 1960) and in the Mexico and Central American Pilot (U.S. Hydrographic Office, edition 6, 1920), although it seems not to be used locally at present. In the field we

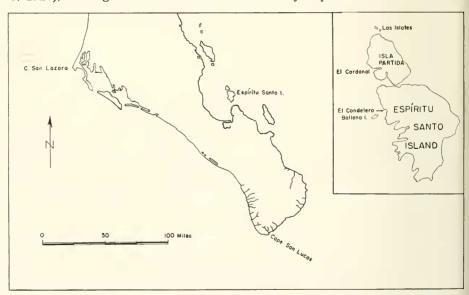


FIGURE 1. Generalized map of the southern end of Baja California, modified from Slevin (1923) and the U.S. Hydrographic Chart no. 1664.

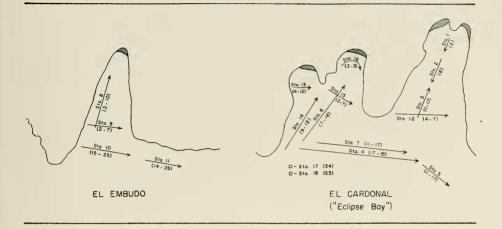


FIGURE 2. Dredging stations off Isla Partida. Sketch map drawn in the field by Dr. R. C. Miller. Directions of the 18 hauls are shown by arrows; depths, in fathoms are in parentheses, following station number. Dark-shading at the heads of embayments indicates areas of sand beaches.

adopted the name "Eclipse Bay," bestowed on this largest indentation of Isla Partida by an earlier Belvedere Scientific expedition.

There are no large-scale modern maps showing the area in detail. Most published maps (including the two given here) are only approximately correct. Figure 1 is modified from Slevin (1923)--a map originally drawn by Dr. G Dallas Hanna from an earlier version of the U. S. Hydrographic Chart cited above. Figure 2 is from a freehand sketch made by Dr. R. C. Miller in the field.

Two embayments on Isla Partida were sampled, El Embudo (The Funnel), toward the northern end, and El Cardonal, near the center of the west side. Candelero Bay, northernmost indentation on Espíritu Santo proper, lies to the south a distance of perhaps two to three miles. Being partially floored by non-coralline sediments, it may afford more varied ecologic conditions near shore, but offshore, the situation seems to be fairly uniform throughout the area.

The predominant material of the floor in El Cardonal is a sand composed of broken bits of coralline algae, hydrocorals, and such corals as *Cycloseris elegans* (Verrill), *C. mexicana* Durham, and *Porites* sp. The total biomass of living molluscan material is proportionately small. Even the total amount of dead shell material is scanty in comparison to a shallow-shelf dredging site near Guaymas, on the Sonora coast of Mexico, which I observed in August, 1960, with the *Ariel* Expedition.

Any sea floor area tends to be littered with a quantity of dead shell material, principally molluscan, that has accumulated over the past hundreds

or perhaps thousands of years from the predation of fish, crabs, and even other mollusks. At Espíritu Santo this dead rubble seems to be not so much molluscan as coralline. Living coral is reported by divers as occurring in deeper water. One gets the impression that in the not-too-distant past there was much more life here, for along the intertidal area and just below, the barnacles are dead, and although numbers of intact specimens of the sessile pelecypod Pseudochama were seen in Candelero Bay, we could not find a single living one. Possibly the conditions of 1959-1960 were temporary, the result of a red tide reported to us by Richard Adcock, local boat-owner, as having occurred a year or so previously. If so, the ecological situation may change within the next few years, when new populations replace the present dead remnants. In any case, there is evidence of a moderately rich though sparse molluscan fauna, as the graphs and table given below will show.

METHODS AND RESULTS

As the shore collecting added little to the list compiled in 1959, no separate analysis of this material is made here, but the 1959 list is given as list 2. One new species of the gastropod family Vermetidae, *Dendropoma*, new species B, was the principal novelty.

A total of 18 dredge hauls were made, and all of the hauls proved productive. Dredging was done from a converted Navy-surplus personnel landing craft owned by Richard Adcock, who had constructed a box at the stern to serve as preliminary sorting tray and a platform to hold the winch. An anchortype winch with 1200 feet of three-sixteenths inch woven wire cable was used. The dredges were made of quarter-inch mesh hardware cloth, over metal frames measuring 5 by 16 by 24 inches. No dredges were lost, but one was so worn from hanging upon rocks and coral heads that the hardware cloth came apart. The cable could be wound on the winch by a hand crank but most of the time was raised by use of an electric hand drill applied instead of the crank, power being furnished by a gasoline-driven generator.

As each dredge load came in, it was emptied into a bucket in the washbox and freed of unneeded rubble, such as pebbles. It was then washed through sieves of varying sizes and samples were kept of the promising materials in each or (if the hauls were small enough) of all material. These lots were then transferred to the field laboratory, a second Navy-surplus landing craft, converted for use as living quarters and large enough to accommodate our entire field party. Here, with the help of willing hands among the crew, the lots were scanned for molluscan material, dead or alive, for it was impracticable to transport the entire bulk lots back to California. All fragments of shells large enough for specific recognition were retained, to form the basis for this later quantitative analysis. Notes were kept, of course, on obviously live-taken material in each lot.

In order to complete the molluscan faunal picture in the Espíritu Santo area, a list of the chitons collected there intertidally at various times has been supplied by Allyn G. Smith and is included as list 5. Curiously enough, no chitons appeared in any of our dredge hauls. As data are not available on the occurrence of individuals of any species, the chitons are omitted from the faunal analysis.

In any quantitative analysis, a certain amount of grouping of the raw data is necessary to reveal trends. Here, grouping of the dredging stations in terms of depth and relative location seems most desirable. The 18 stations of list 3 can thus be reduced to five basic types:

- A. Stations 1, 16 (2 to 3 fathoms, near upper end of bay).
- B. Stations 2, 8-9, 12-15 (3 to 12 fathoms, slightly offshore).
- C. Stations 3-7 (10 to 18 fathoms, near bay channel center).
- D. Stations 10-11 (14 to 25 fathoms, near bay entrance).
- E. Stations 17-18 (30 to 53 fathoms, off Isla Partida, outside entrance to "Eclipse Bay").

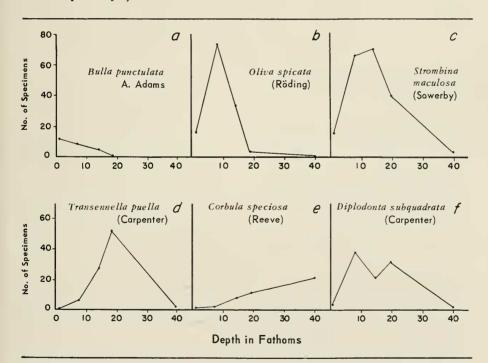


FIGURE 3. Analysis of abundance with depth for six representative species.

Although there seemed to be a paucity of material at any one station, surprisingly enough the total number of molluscan species identified in the

dredging amounts to 361: 208 gastropods, 146 pelecypods, and 7 scaphopods (list 4). This compares to 180 taken alongshore (intertidally or in drift) at Candelero Bay (136 gastropods, 41 pelecypods, and 3 scaphopods). Only 56 of the species are common to the two lists (31 gastropods, 22 pelecypods, and 3 scaphopods), which would suggest that most of the forms that wash ashore as drift live intertidally or very near shore and that little offshore material reaches the beach. Also (at least as far as this area is concerned), most of the forms that have adapted to intertidal existence on an arid tropical coast do not extend their range far offshore into deeper water.

To represent the picture as a whole, we might select for special scrutiny the ten species of gastropods and pelecypods, respectively, that had the highest counts of individuals. In list 1, below, the number of specimens and level of greatest concentration (in terms of the grouping indicated above) are given; an asterisk preceding the name means that living material occurred in at least one sample.

LIST 1		
Name	TOTAL Number	MAXIMUM AT STATION GROUP
PELECYPODA		
* Anadara multicostata (Sowerby)	69	В
* Glycymeris tessellata (Sowerby)	109	D
* Pecten vogdesi Arnold	29	В
* Aequipecten circularis (Sowerby)	43	С
Diplodonta subquadrata (Carpenter)	99	B (also D)
* Laevicardium elenense (Sowerby)	303	B (also D)
* Transennella puella (Carpenter)	90	D D
* Megapitaria squalida (Sowerby)	151	В
* Chione undatella (Sowerby)	49	В
* Corbula speciosa Reeve	44	E
GASTROPODA		
* Turritella mariana Dall	65	D
* Hipponix grayanus Menke	32	В
Calyptraea mamillaris Broderip	48	E (also C)
* Polinices uber (Valenciennes)	65	D
Strombus gracilior Sowerby	41	С
* Strombina maculosa (Sowerby)	193	C
* Nassarius angulicostis (Pilsbry and Lowe)	26	С
* Oliva spicata (Röding)	123	В
Bulla punctulata A. Adams	26	A

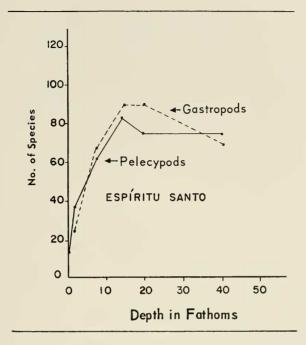


FIGURE 4. Relative abundance curves for pelecypod and gastropod species at the several stations, Espíritu Santo Island.

Plotting numbers of specimens against water-depth of occurrence, one sees that the distribution falls into six possible patterns, samples of which are shown in figure 3. Of the 20 selected species, only one, *Bulla punctulata*, has its maximum in the shallowest dredgings (less than 2 fathoms). Eight are most abundant at 3 to 12, 5 between that and 18, 4 between 14 to 25, and 2 between 30 to 50 fathoms. Three forms had a bimodal distribution, with one secondary peak of abundance, the significance of which can only be speculative until more observations are made. The distribution patterns otherwise seem remarkably consistent.

In examining the material collected, one gets the impression of sparseness, especially as compared to richer areas across the Gulf, as at Guaymas or Mazatlán. However, an inspection of the overall picture -- the total number of species present at each dredging level -- modifies this view somewhat. Figure 4 shows the number of pelecypod and gastropod species at the combined stations, a maximum of 80 pelecypod and 90 gastropod forms, which compares not too unfavorably with 120 pelecypod species recorded (in manuscript) by members of the *Ariel* expedition at Cabo Haro, off Guaymas, in 15 to 25 fathoms, and 115+ gastropod species (complete list not yet available). The species population at Espíritu Santo, therefore, is only moderately rich but very

thinly scattered, so that few individuals of any form are present in one spot. The paucity of other than coralline algae in the shallower waters perhaps accounts for the relative fewness of forms at depths of less than 7 fathoms. Beyond this the numbers of species present is surprisingly uniform to the greatest depth explored. In the intertidal area the number might increase with intensive collecting, for doubtless many forms were concealed beneath the larger rocks and in crevices. The number found alive in a single afternoon of collecting at low tide was not as great as even Group A of the dredgings (13 pelecypod and 23 gastropod species). This is again in harmony with the conclusion that the populations are thinly scattered. To recover all of the forms alive that are indicated by beach drift as present would require repeated forays.

CONCLUSIONS

From a single suite of data of the sort summarized here, one should not draw sweeping conclusions. Repeated samples from the same area, taken in the same way, might reveal changes of composition of the population. The same type of study done in nearby areas of slightly different ecology might bring out the effects of change in physical factors on the faunal components. For example, the infauna at some places along the Baja California coast must be astonishingly rich, especially in minute forms, for the intestine of a single large holothurian which I collected near Cape San Lucas contained 120 specimens of 33 species of mollusks—some bivalves were still intact, and gastropods had opercula in place.

When enough comparative studies are made, we may have at hand a tool useful in the interpretation of the past history of the area. The molluscan fauna may well give clues as to the relationship of the Baja California land mass to the mainland and may even provide a commentary on the tantalizing suggestion that the tip of the peninsula once joined the mainland coast near the Tres Marias Islands, now being displaced northward some two to three hundred miles. This, of course, is for the future. From the present observations, however, some less profound deductions can be made.

Paleontologists are prone to conclude, if an assemblage is made up of disassociated bivalve shells or of worn fragments, that transportation from the original site is indicated. This may not necessarily be true. Inspection of a dredge haul reveals much fragmental and disarticulated material, even in situations beyond the influence of nearshore currents. The constant work of predators sifting the upper layers of the sea floor in search of prey and the accumulation of the discards after the mollusks have been found and consumed may result in large amounts of disorganized shell material that has not been moved more than a few inches. Could not, perhaps, the very occurrence in the fossil record of finely fragmented shells, with occasional intact specimens, actually be indication of an offshore deposit?

A second tentative conclusion is that under fairly uniform conditions, the offshore mollusks have a wide bathymetric range. The sea floor in a few fathoms depth presents an optimum habitat, but mollusks that occur in abundance there may range shoreward and seaward for some distance. Therefore, except for near-shore species and those with a known sharply limited niche, such as the requirement of highly oxygenated water, the numbers of individuals present in a given unit area may be a better index of depth than the numbers of species. Further sampling is needed, of course, to establish this principle. Certain forms are always indicative of intertidal conditions (the littorines, for example, or, in the tropics, the nerites). Others are always indicative of deep water, such as some of the turrids. For the in-between areas, however, and the assessment of relative depth for fossil assemblages, the use of some such measure as relative abundance might be very convenient if it can be demonstrated to be a trustworthy guide.

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LISTS OF MOLLUSCA AND DREDGING STATIONS

- List 2. Intertidal molluscan fauna from drift at Candelero Bay, Espíritu Santo Island, November, 1959.
- List 3. Dredging Stations. Extracted from the field notes of Dr. Robert C. Miller.
 - List 4. Mollusca dredged off Isla Partida, December, 1960.
- List 5. *Polyplacophora* (Chitons) from Isla Espíritu Santo and Isla Partida, Baja, California, Mexico.

List 2. Intertidal molluscan fauna from drift at Candelero Bay, Espíritu Santo Island, November, 1959.

In the following tabulations, total numbers of specimens collected are shown. An asterisk (*) preceding the number indicates that at least some individuals were alive when taken intertidally, and a number sign (#) preceding the name of the species that this is an extension of reported geographic range.

I have utilized here (as also in list 4) the new insights on classification reflected in papers by Taylor and Sohl (1962), Steinberg (1963), and Keen (1963); but where there is variance of opinion, as in Opisthobranchiata, some compromises are made. Arrangement within superfamilies is mainly alphabetical, with a few exceptions where it seemed desirable to keep family units intact.

PELECYPODA

SOLEMYACEA

Solemya panamensis Dall, 5

ARCACEA

Anadara multicostata (Sowerby), 3 Barbatia gradata (Broderip and Sowerby), 1

MYTILACEA

Hormomya adamsiana (Dunker), 10 Lithophaga aristata (Dillwyn), 1 Lithophaga spatiosa (Carpenter), 1 Septifer zeteki Hertlein and Strong, 4

PTERIACEA

Isognomón chemnitzianus (Orbigny), 4 Atrina tuberculosa (Sowerby), 1 Pinctada mazatlanica (Hanley), 1 Pinna rugosa Sowerby, 2

CARDITACEA

Cardita affinis californica Deshayes, *8 Condylocardia digueti Lamy, 12

LUCINACEA

Lucina (Callucina) lampra (Dall), 3

Lucina (Cavilinga) prolongata Carpenter, *100+

Lucina (Parvilucina) mazatlanica Carpenter, 2

Lucina (Pleurolucina) undatoides Hertlein and Strong, *10

Divalinga eburnea (Reeve), 1

Codakia distinguenda Tryon, *2

LUCINACEA (Continued)

Ctena chiquita (Dall), 1 Ctena mexicana (Dall), 3

LEPTONACEA

#Basterotia peninsularis Jordan, 6 Mysella compressa (Dall), 1

CHAMACEA

Chama species, juvenile, 2 Pseudochama panamensis (Reeve), 8

CARDIACEA

Americardia biangulata (Broderip and Sowerby), 1 Laevicardium elenense (Sowerby), 1

VENERACEA

Megapitaria squalida (Sowerby), 4 Transennella tantilla (Gould), 100+ Chione (Timoclea) picta Willett, 1 Chione species, juvenile, 20 Protothaca grata (Say), 1

TELLINACEA

Tellina (Tellinella) cumingii Hanley, 4 Tellina (Moerella) new species, *6 Heterodonax bimaculatus (Linnaeus), 5 Semele flavescens Gould, 1 Cumingia lamellosa Sowerby, 7

MYACEA

Corbula bicarinata Sowerby, 1

PANDORACEA

Cyathodonta undulata Conrad, 1

SCAPHOPODA

DENTALIIDAE

Dentalium quadrangulare Sowerby, 1
Dentalium semipolitum Broderip and Sowerby, 6
Dentalium splendidulum Sowerby, 4

GASTROPODA

PATELLACEA

Acmaea strongiana Hertlein, 10 Acmaea semirubida Dall, 1

TROCHACEA

Tegula globulus (Carpenter), 1 Liotia acuticostata stearnsi Dall. 4

FISSURELLACEA

Diodora alta (C. B. Adams), 2 Diodora saturnalis (Carpenter), 3 Fissurella rugosa Lamarck, 10

NERITACEA

Nerita funiculata Menke, 1 Nerita scabricosta Lamarck, 1

LITTORINACEA

Littorina dubiosa penicillata Carpenter, 10 Littorina species, 11 Lacuna species, 1

RISSOACEA

Alleorus deprellus Strong, 8 Cyclostremiscus trigonatus (Carpenter), 20 ? Solariorbis ditropis Pilsbry and Olsson, 1 Teinostoma amplectans Carpenter, 20 Teinostoma gallegosi E. K. Jordan, 1 Alvania lirata Carpenter, 50 Alvania tumida Carpenter, 1 Alvania species, 2 Barleeia alderi (Carpenter), 10 Barleeia orcutti Bartsch, 4 Assiminea translucens (Carpenter), 1 Rissoella excolpa (Bartsch), 1 Rissoella tumens (Carpenter), 1 Rissoina burragei Bartsch, 1 Rissoina mexicana Bartsch, 15 Rissoina stricta (Menke), 1 Rissoina woodwardi Carpenter, 16

ARCHITECTONICACEA

Heliacus bicanaliculatus (Valenciennes), 4 # Heliacus chiquita Pilsbry and Lowe, 2 Heliacus mazatlanicus Pilsbry and Lowe, 1

CERITHIACEA

Alaba jeannettae Bartsch, *50 Alaba supralirata Carpenter, 10

CERITHIACEA (Continued)

Bittium cerralvoense Bartsch, 1

Caecum 3 species, 30

Fartulum farcimen (Carpenter), 2

Micranellum 3 species, 8

Cerithiopsis abreojosensis Bartsch, 2

Cerithiopsis cassi Baker, Hanna, and Strong, 1

Cerithiopsis halia Bartsch, 1

Cerithiopsis subgloriosa Baker, Hanna, and Strong, 1

Cerithium maculosum Kiener, 20

Cerithium (Liocerithium) sculptum Sowerby, 100+

Litiopa melanostoma divisa Carpenter, 1

Metaxia convexa (Carpenter), 1

Seila assimilata (C. B. Adams), 10

Modulus disculus (Philippi), 1

Petaloconchus (Macrophragma) macrophragma Carpenter, *2

Serpulorbis margaritaceus (Chenu), *10

EPITONIACEA

Epitonium bakhanstranum Keen, 1

Epitonium hexagonum (Sowerby), 2

Epitonium species, 3

EULIMACEA

Eulima linearis (Carpenter), 1

Eulima mexicana (Bartsch), 2

HIPPONICACEA

Hipponix pilosus Deshayes, *7

Fossarus parcipictus Carpenter, 2

Fossarus species, 5

CALYPTRAEACEA

Cheilea cepacea (Broderip), 2

Crepidula aculeata (Gmelin), *5

LAMELLARIACEA

Erato columbella Menke, 5

NATICACEA

Polinices uber (Valenciennes), *4

TONNACEA

Cymatium gibbosum (Broderip), 1

MURICACEA

Morula ferruginosa (Reeve), 6
Thais triangularis (Blainville), 1
Typhis (Tripterotyphis) lowei (Pilsbry), 1

BUCCINACEA

Mitrella ocellata (Gmelin), 8
Parametaria dupontii (Kiener), 2
Strombina maculosa (Sowerby), 3
Cantharus pallidus (Broderip and Sowerby), 2
Nassarius (Arcularia) tiarula (Kiener), 4
Nassarius species, juvenile, 1
Fusinus ambustus (Gould), 5

VOLUTACEA

Oliva spicata Röding, *20
Olivella alba (Marrat in Sowerby), *115+
Olivella dama (Wood), 2
Marginella californica Tomlin, 2
Marginella (Cystiscus) compare M. (C.) polita Carpenter (?), 50

MITRACEA

Mitra dolorosa Dall, 8

CONACEA

Clavus attalia (Dall), 1
Knefastia funiculata (Kiener), 5
Crassispira appressa (Carpenter), 1
Crassispira nymphia Pilsbry and Lowe, 2
Mangelia (Agathotoma) subdiaphana (Carpenter), 25+
Mangelia trichodes Dall, 10
Mangelia (?Kurtziella) compare M. (K.) dane Dall, *1
Mangelia, species, 1
Conus, species, juvenile, 5
Terebra species, 10

PYRAMIDELLACEA

Pyramidella (Longchaeus) adamsi Carpenter, 4
Pyramidella (Voluspa) species, affinity with
P. (V.) auricoma Dall, *100
Pyramidella (Pharcidella) hastata A. Adams, 20
Odostomia (Miralda) aepynota Dall and Bartsch, 5
Turbonilla, 4 species, 24
Iselica pura (Carpenter), 5

BULLACEA

Atys casta (Carpenter), 3
Bulla punctulata A. Adams, 5
Haminoea angelensis Baker and Hanna, *25

SCAPHANDRACEA

Acteocina angustior Baker and Hanna, 5 Acteocina inculta (Gould and Carpenter), 100+ Cylichna defuncta Baker and Hanna, 1

SIPHONARIACEA

Trimusculus stellatus (Sowerby), 1

ELLOBIACEA

Melampus species, 1 Pedipes liratus Binney, 2

JULIACEA

Berthelinia chloris belvederica Keen and Smith, 1 Julia thecaphora (Carpenter), 3¹

APLYSIACEA

Dolabella californica Stearns, 1 Undetermined gastropods, 6 species, 10 specimens

^{1.} Mr. A.A. Olsson has pointed out to me (written communication, September 18, 1960) that the earliest valid name for this form, which has been called *J. exquisita* Gould, 1862, and *J. equatorialis* Pilsbry and Olsson, 1944, by authors, was proposed by Carpenter (Mazatlán Catalogue, 1857, p.533) as *Smaragdinella thecaphora*, in family Philinidae. The type locality is Mazatlán.

LIST 3. Dredging Stations. Extracted from the field notes of Dr. Robert C. Miller

	ATION LOCATION		TIME	Воттом
1.	South arm of "Eclipse Bay."	13	10	Coralline algal sand, December 13, 1960.
2.	Continuation of no. 1.	34 to 39	10	Similar bottom, with a few rocks and coral heads.
3.	Starting near entrance of South arm, dredging toward inner end of bay.	100 to 65	10	Finer sand of same type; coralline algae, mostly Lithothamnion.
4.	Across entrance to "Eclipse Bay,"	110 to 105	10	Small haul, bottom apparently sand and shell, smooth, with small bushy brown algae; a number of <i>Turritella</i> noted.
5.	Mouth of "Eclipse Bay," from end of no. 4, above, due south toward east end of Ballena Island.	105 to 65	10	Rocky bottom, the haul terminating by the dredge being caught on a rock.
6.	North side of "Eclipse Bay," from entrance in toward middle arm.	105 to 40	10	Dredge filled with coralline and shell sand, few animals.
7.	Across "Eclipse Bay," parallel to no. 4, but closer to shore.	approx. 100 to 66	20	
8.	El Embudo, from entrance toward beach at its head.	60 to 12	6	Sand bottom, many corallines. December 14, 1960.
9.	El Embudo, across channel inside.	13 to 43	5	Haul terminating by dredge being caught on a rock. Bottom similar to no. 8.
10.	El Embudo, off entrance, from north to south or southwest, parallel to shore.	approx. 100 to 150	6	Rocky bottom, haul ending with dredge caught on a rock, with little in it.
11.	Continuation of no. 10, southward along headland.	150 to 83	12	Same as above.

LIST 3. (Continued)

	TION LOCATION	DEPTH (FEET)		Dommon
12.	Across entrance to south arm of "Eclipse Bay."	start at 22 to 45 end 35	5	Bottom of sand that packed hard in dredge but with rocks that sometimes jerked cable. December 16, 1960.
13.	Across entrance to north arm of "Eclipse Bay."	25 to 48	6	Bottom of coarse sand and corallines that did not pack.
14.	"Eclipse Bay," from outer headland toward middle arm.	73 to 55		Coralline and sand bottom that did not pack; dredge only about $\frac{1}{3}$ full, most of sand apparent-washing out, with more coral heads than at any other station (? Porites, both whitish and reddish, clumps 4-8" in diam.)
15.	"Eclipse Bay," across entrance to middle arm.	start at 20 to 45 end 35	10	Bottom of sand that packed so hard it had to be washed out with water.
16.	"Eclipse Bay," semi- circular haul off beach of main arm.	start at 15 to 10 end 16	8	Bottom of coarse sand and broken corallines that did that did not pack, also num- erous white branching corals.
17.	Across mouth of "Eclipse Bay," about % mile seaward from north headland (not shown on map).	est. 200	5	Very small haul, dredge coming up with metal bridles crossed in front. December 20, 1960.
18.	Continuation of no. 17, ½ mile west of south headland marking outer boundary of "Eclipse Bay" (not shown on map).	est. 315	15	Fine coralline mud.

List 4. Mollusca dredged off Isla Partida, December, 1960

In the following tabulation a number sign (#) before a species name signifies an extension of reported range; an asterisk (*) before the number of specimens indicates some were alive when collected.

Species	NO. OF		ENS(STA	TIONS GR THOMS	OUPED)
	1-3	3-12	10-18	14-25	30-50
SOLEMYACEA					
Solemya panamensis Dall		4		1	
NUCULACEA					
Nucula declivis Hinds		1	3		
Nucula exigua Sowerby			3		4
# Nucula schencki Hertlein and Strong				1	
Nuculana marella Hertlein and Strong					3
Nucula elenensis (Sowerby)		+	*14		26
ARCACEA					
Arca mutabilis (Sowerby)					8
Arca pacifica (Sowerby)			4	16	4
Barbatia alternata (Sowerby)					1
Barbatia gradata (Broderip and Sowerby)	1	,			
Barbatia lurida (Sowerby)		1	1	2	1
Barbatia reeveana (Orbigny)				2	l
Anadara concinna (Sowerby)			2	5	3
Anadara multicostata (Sowerby)	5	*35	*25	2	2
Anadara reinharti (Lowe)		1			1
Glycymeris gigantea (Reeve)		1			1
Glycymeris multicostata (Sowerby)		1			
Glycymeris tessellata (Sowerby)		2	*61	*80	26
Glycymeris tessellata canoa					1
Pilsbry and Olsson					
$\#Nucinella\ subdola$					
(Hertlein and Strong)			2		2
MYTILACEA					
Amygdalum pallidulum (Dall)			*6	3	
Crenella divaricata (Orbigny)			4	1	7
Gregariella coarctata (Carpenter)				1	
Modiolus americanus (Leach)		1		1	
Septifer zeteki Hertlein and Strong	2	7	2	3	4
Solamen columbianum (Dall)			1		1

LIST 4. (Continued)

	NO. OF		ENS (STA		ROUPED
SPECIES		T T	IN FAT		
	1-3	3-12	10-18	14-25	30-50
PTERIACEA					
Pteria sterna (Gould)				1	
OSTREACEA					
Ostrea fisheri Dall	1	3	1	1	
Ostrea species, juvenile				1	
PECTINACEA					
Pecten sericeus Hinds				1	
Pecten vogdesi Arnold	2	*13	*6	7	1
Aequipecten circularis (Sowerby)	4	*8	*17	14	2
Chlamys lowei (Hertlein)		1	4	31	15
Cyclopecten pernomus (Hertlein)		1	1	10	9
Lyropecten subnodosus (Sowerby)		1		4	4
Lima tetrica Gould			1		
Lima hemphilli Hertlein and Strong			2	2	3
Plicatula inezana Durham					3
Plicatula penicillata Carpenter					1
Spondylus princeps Broderip				11	1
Anomiacea					
Anomia peruviana Orbigny				2	
Placunanomia cumingii Broderip				1	1
ASTARTACEA					
Crassatella gibbosa Sowerby			*5	3	2
Crassinella pacifica (C.B. Adams)			7	5	1
Crassinella varians (Carpenter)					14
Tellidorella cristulata Berry					17
CARDITACEA					
Cardita affinis Sowerby		7			7
Cardita crassicostata (Sowerby)				1	14
Cardita megastropha (Gray)	-	1	3	3	2
Condylocardia digueti Lamy	1				
LUCINACEA					
Lucina (Bellucina) cancellaris					
Philippi	3	3			2
Lucina (Callucina) lampra (Dall)	1	1	1		

LIST 4. (Continued)

Oncorn	NO. OF		ENS (STA		ROUPED)
SPECIES	1-3	3-12	10-18	14-25	30-50
Lucinacea (Continued)					
Lucina (Cavilinga) prolongata Carpenter	1	7			
Lucina (Lucinisca) liana (Pilsbry)	1	5	3		39
Lucina (Parvilucina) approximata (Dall) Lucina (Parvilucina) mazatlanica		1 2			
Carpenter Lucina (Pleurolucina) leucocymoides			6	21	9
(Lowe) Lucina (Pleurolucina) undatoides	2	6	2		
Hertlein and Strong Anodontia edentuloides (Verrill)		1	6	2	2
Codakia distinguenda (Tryon)	1	5	20		_
Ctena chiquita (Dall)	1	6	30 3	15	5 1
Ctena mexicana (Dall)	10	16 19	3	1 2	1
Divalinga eburnea (Reeve)		19	1	1	
Miltha xantusi (Dall)		1	1	1	2
# Thyasira species Diplodonta inezensis		1	3		
(Hertlein and Strong)		1			
Diplodonta obliqua Philippi			2		1
Diplodonta sericata (Reeve)			-	1	1
Diplodonta subquadrata (Carpenter	6	38	21	32	2
Leptonacea					_
?Axinopsida species					8
Aligena cokeri Dall				1	
Basterotia peninsularis Jordan		1			
Kellia suborbicularis (Montagu)		1	1		
Mysella chalcedonica (Carpenter)	Ì	1			
Orobitella chacei (Dall)					2
Orobitella stearnsii (Dall)	1				
Solecardia eburnea Conrad	1	4	2	1	1
# Lasaea species	1				
Genus and species undetermined					1
Снамасеа					
Chama squamuligera Pilsbry and Lowe	1 1		1	11	28

LIST 4. (Continued)

Species .	NO. OF SPECIMENS (STATIONS GROUPE) DEPTH IN FATHOMS					
SPECIES	1-3	3-12	10-18	14-25	30-50	
CHAMACEA (Continued)						
Chama species		2	1		1	
# Pseudochama corrugata (Broderip)				3		
# Pseudochama panamensis (Reeve)		1				
Pseudochama saavedrai	1			1		
Hertlein and Strong						
CARDIACEA						
Laevicardium elenense (Sowerby)	*19	183	40	58	3	
Lophocardium annettae (Dall)			2	3		
Nemocardium pazianum (Dall)			3	3	24	
Papyridea aspersa (Sowerby)			1	1		
Trachycardium consors (Sowerby)	1	34		1		
Trachycardium belcheri						
(Broderip and Sowerby)			13	*13	1	
Trigoniocardia biangulata	*9	5	4	2	3	
(Broderip and Sowerby)						
VENERACEA						
Chione compta (Broderip)	*3	*12	5	1	2	
Chione mariae (Orbigny)			2	1	*4	
Chione picta Willett	1		1			
Chione undatella (Sowerby)		*37	6	6		
Cyclinella singleyi Dall			1	1		
Gouldia californica Dall	1	4	11	3	11	
Megapitaria squalida (Sowerby)	*30	*70	*41	8	2	
Pitar frizzelli Hertlein and Strong				1		
Pitar newcombianus (Gabb)		4	*13	2		
#Pitar perfragilis Pilsbry and Lowe					6	
Pitar pollicaris (Carpenter)			1			
Protothaca grata (Say)	1					
Transennella puella (Carpenter)		6	*28	53	3	
Transennella sororcula Pilsbry and Lowe	1			1		
Transennella tantilla (Gould)		9			1	
Ventricolaria isocardia (Verrill)			2	2	1	
Petricola species	1	1				

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Species	NO. OF		ENS (STA		ROUPED
	1-3	3-12	10-18	14-25	30-50
TELLINACEA					
Tellina (Elliptotellina) pacifica Dall		1		6	
Tellina (Eurytellina) species		1	1		
Tellina (Eurytellina) inaequistriata Donovan			1		
Tellina (Merisca) meropsis Dall				1	
Tellina (Merisca) proclivis		1	5		1
Hertlein and Strong					
Tellina (Merisca) reclusa Dall	3	3	1	2	14
Tellina (Moerella) amianta Dall	2	2	13	2	
# Tellina (Moerella) felix Hanley			1		
Tellina (Moerella) paziana Dall					1
Tellina (Moerella) new species		5	1		
Tellina (Phyllodina) pristiphora Dall					9
Tellina (Tellinella) cumingii Hanley	1	2	1		
Tellina (Tellinella) zacae				1	
Hertlein and Strong					
Macoma siliqua (C.B.Adams)					1
Gari regularis (Carpenter)			2	1	
Solecurtus guaymasensis Lowe			1		
Tagelus politus (Carpenter)	1	2			
# Semele mediamericana				2	
Pilsbry and Lowe					
Semele pacifica Dall	1	2	5	4	3
Cumingia lamellosa Sowerby	1	1			
Муасеа					
Corbula biradiata Sowerby			4		
Corbula luteola Carpenter	1			2	
Corbula nasuta Sowerby	1			5	11
Corbula speciosa Reeve	1	2	*9	11	21
Corbula species indeterminate			3		4
? Gastrochaena ovata Sowerby				2	
PHOLADACEA					
#Xylophaga mexicana Dall			1	[I

LIST 4. (Continued)

Species	NO. OF		ens (state) in Fath		ROUPED)
SPECIES	1-3	3-12	10-18	14-25	30-50
Pandoracea					
Pandora cornuta C. B. Adams				1	
Pandora granulata Dall			5		
Pandora uncifera Pilsbry and Lowe			3	4	
Lyonsia gouldii Dall	1		9		1
# Asthenothaerus villosior Carpenter		1			1
Cyathodonta undulata Conrad				1	
POROMYACEA					
Cuspidaria dulcis Pilsbry and Lowe			4		
# Cuspidaria lanieri Hertlein and Strong					5
Plectodon scaber Carpenter			3	1	3
Verticordia ornata (Orbigny)					1
SCAPHOPODA					
Dentaliidae					
Dentalium hancocki Emerson		8	3		
Dentalium inversum Deshayes				*3	
Dentalium oerstedii Mörch					5
Dentalium quadrangulare Sowerby			7	4	1
Dentalium semipolitum	1				
Broderip and Sowerby					
Dentalium splendidum Sowerby	4	*6	5		8
# Dentalium tesseragonum Sowerby				2	
GASTROPODA					
Patellacea					
Acmaea semirubida Dall		1			
Acmaea strongiana Hertlein		1			
Nomaeopelta stanfordiana (Berry)				1	
PLEUROTOMARIACEA					
Scissurella species			5	1	
TROCHACEA					
Arene new species			1		
Arene rammata (Dall)		1	_		

List 4. (Continued)

	NO. OF		ENS (STA		ROUPED)
SPECIES	1-3	3-12	10-18	14-25	30-50
TROCHACEA (Continued)					
Liotia acuticostata Carpenter Liotia acuticostata stearnsi Dall Solariella triplostephanus Dall Tegula byroniana (Wood) Tricolia typica (Dall) Tricolia species Turbo squamiger Reeve		3	2 6 1 1	3	
FISSURELLACEA Diodora inaequalis (Sowerby) Diodora saturnalis (Carpenter) Hemitoma hermosa Lowe Lucapinella new species? LITTORINACEA Lacuna species	1	3	2 1 5	1 3 3 3	3
RISSOACEA Alleorus deprellus Strong Alvania species Amphithalamus species		1 10	1 16	7	7 1
Barleeia species Cyclostremiscus tricarinatus (C. B. Adams) Rissoella species Rissoina species Solariorbis (Hapalorbis) liriope Bartsch Solariorbis (Hapalorbis) seminudus (C. B. Adams)		7	15	1	1 3 3
Teinostoma species Vitrinella species ARCHITECTONICACEA Architectonica nobilis Röding Heliacus bicanaliculatus (Valenciennes) Heliacus species	1	1 2	5	2	2

LIST 4. (Continued)

SPECIES	NO. OF		NS (STAT IN FATH		ROUPED)
SPECIES	1-3	3-12	10-18	14-25	30-50
CERITHIACEA					
Alaba supralirata (Carpenter)		15			
Alaba species		2	15		
Alabina diomedeae Bartsch		3			
Cerithiopsis species		10	11		
Cerithium gemmatum (Hinds)		1	1		
Caecum species		5	6		2
Elephantanellum species				2	
Elephantulum species				1	1
Fartulum cf. F. laeve (C. B. Adams)			15		
Metaxia convexa (Carpenter)		3	9		
Metaxia species				1	
Modulus catenulatus (Philippi)			6	4	
Modulus cerodes (A. Adams)		7	4	2	
Seila assimilata (C. B. Adams)		3	1	1	
Triphora species	2	5	8	9	
Turritella mariana Dall			*31	*32	2
Turritella nodulosa King and Broderip			3	9	
Petaloconchus (Macrophragma)		1			
indentatus (Carpenter)		1			
Petaloconchus (Macrophragma) indentatus variety		1			
Vermetus (Thylacodus) species				1	
EPITONIACEA					
Epitonium (Asperiscala) walkerianum Hertlein and Strong	2				
Epitonium (Nitidiscala) wurtsbaughi		1			
Hertlein and Strong					
Epitonium species		1			
Scalina ferminiana (Dall)				1	
EULIMACEA					
Balcis species (possibly Eulima)				1	
Balcis species (possibly Eulima)	1		5	1	4
Niso excolpa Bartsch				4	-

LIST 4. (Continued)

SPECIES	NO. OF SPECIMENS (STATIONS GROUPED DEPTH IN FATHOMS					
	1-3	3-12	10-18	14-25	30-50	
HIPPONICACEA Hipponix antiquatus (Linnaeus) # Hipponix grayanus Menke		*30		1 2		
Calyptraeacea						
Calyptraea conica Broderip Calyptraea mamillaris Broderip Cheilea cepacea (Broderip) Crepidula aculeata (Gmelin)		1	11 1	7	8 30 20	
Crepidula arenata Broderip) Crepidula excavata (Broderip) Crepidula striolata Menke		1	1 3	4 7	3	
# Crucibulum concameratum Reeve Crucibulum scutellatum (Wood) Crucibulum spinosum (Sowerby)	1	1 2	1 1	1 1	3 3 2	
Lamellariacea Erato columbella Menke	2					
CYPRAEACEA Trivia californiana (Gray) Trivia sanguinea (Sowerby)			1	1 2		
STROMBACEA Strombus gracilior Sowerby Strombus granulatus Swainson	6	2	33 27	8	1	
NITICACEA Natica grayi Philippi Natica idiopoma Pilsbry and Lowe Natica (Stigmaulax) broderipiana Récluz Polinices bifasciatus (Gray) Polinices uber (Valenciennes) Polinices species Sinum debile (Gould)	*10	*34	1 1 1 14	2 1 1 4	3 2	
ATLANTACEA # Atlanta species				1	2	
Tonnacea Colubraria siphonata (Reeve) Cymatium gibbosum (Broderip)		1			1	

LIST 4. (Continued)

Species	NO. OF		INS (STA		GROUPED)	
SECLES	1-3	3-12	10-18	14-25	30-50	
TONNACEA (Continued)						
Cymatium tigrinum (Broderip) Ficus ventricosa (Sowerby)					1 1	
MURICACEA						
#Aspella pyramidalis (Broderip)				1		
Morula lugubris (C. B. Adams)	ĺ	1	1			
Murex recurvirostris Broderip		Ì			6	
Ocenebra parva (E.A. Smith)				1		
Pterynotus centrifuga (Hinds)					3	
BUCCINACEA						
Anachis coronata (Sowerby)			1			
Anachis coronata hannana				1		
Hertlein and Strong						
? Strombina carmencita Lowe			4	2	4	
Strombina maculosa (Sowerby)	*15	*66	*70	*39	3	
Cantharus pallidus (Broderip and Sowerby			2	3	5 1	
Engina reevei Tryon				2		
Engina solida (Dall)		1	1	4		
#Metula amosi Vanatta					1	
Phos veraguensis Hinds					3	
Nassarius angulicostis (Pilsbry and Lowe)	*3		20	3		
Nassarius gallegosi Hertlein and Strong		1	2	1		
Nassarius versicolor (C. B. Adams)		7	5	6		
Nassarius (Arcularia) tiarula (Kiener)	*2					
Nassarius cf. Nassarius mendicus (Gould)				1		
Nassarius, ? new species				2		
# Fusinus irregularis (Grabau)				1	2	
# Fusinus panamensis Dall				•	1	
Fusinus species			1			
VOLUTACEA						
Cancellaria buccinoides Sowerby					1	
Marginella californica Tomlin	7	1	1		2	

LIST 4. (Continued)

Concerns	NO. OF	NO. OF SPECIMENS (STATIONS GROUPED) DEPTH IN FATHOMS					
SPECIES	1-3	3-12	10-18	14-25	30-50		
		7 12	10 10	11 2)	70 70		
VOLUTACEA (Continued)							
Marginella (Cypraeolina) species			3				
Marginella (Cystiscus) species		1					
Marginella (Gibberulina) species	+15	1	4				
Oliva spicata (Röding)	*15	*73	*32	3			
Olivella alba (Marrat in Sowerby)			3				
Olivella dama (Wood)			3				
Olivella gracilis (Broderip and			1				
Sowerby)				1			
Olivella tergina (Duclos)				1			
MITRACEA			4	6			
Mitra crenata Broderip Mitra dolorosa Dall		2	3				
Mitra mexicana Dall					2		
Mitra (Tiara) hindsii Reeve			5	9	11		
Mitra (Tiara) sulcata Sowerby					1		
CONACEA							
Clathrodrillia alcestis Dall				3			
Clathrodrillia haliplexa Dall		1					
-Clathrodrillia pilsbryi Lowe				1	1		
Clathurella candida (Hinds)					4		
Clathurella cf. Clathurella		1					
serrata Carpenter							
Clathurella rava (Hinds)			1				
Clathurella species			1				
# Clavus acapulcanus (Lowe)				2	1		
# Clavus alcmene (Dall)				3			
Clavus asaedai (Hertlein and Strong)				1 2			
# Clavus melea (Dall)		2		2			
# Clavus pilsbryi (Bartsch)		4			2		
# Clavus plicatellus (Dall)				1	~		
# Clavus pudicus (Hinds) # Clavus roseolus (Hertlein and				1	1		
Strong)							
# Clavus turveri (Hertlein and Strong)				1	1		
Clavus species			4	2			

LIST 4. (Continued)

SPECIES	NO. OF	NO. OF SPECIMENS (STATIONS GROUPED) DEPTH IN FATHOMS						
O. Beatle	1-3	3-12	10-18	14-25	30-50			
CONACEA (Continued)								
Crassispira ericana Hertlein and Strong					2			
Crassispira cf. Crassispira incrassata (Sowerby)					1			
Crassispira martinensis Dall			1					
Crassispira tepocana Dall			1					
Gemmula hindsiana Berry					1			
# Mangelia cyrene (Dall)				1	1			
Mangelia occata (Hinds)					1			
Mangelia trichodes (Dall)	1	3	2	2				
Mangelia species		1	4	1	1			
Pleuroliria oxytropis (Sowerby)			1	1				
Pleuroliria oxytropis albicarinata (Sowerby)			1	5	15			
Pleuroliria picta (Reeve)			5	9				
#Syntomodrillia cybele Pilsbry and Lowe		1						
Tenaturris burchi (Hertlein and Strong)	2		1	1				
Tenaturris verdensis (Dall)				2				
Turricula libya Dall					2			
Turricula nigricans Dall					1			
Turridae, undetermined; possibly								
new genus, new species			3	3				
# Conus bartschi Hanna and Strong				1				
Conus gradatus Wood	2	1						
Conus recurvus Broderip					1			
Conus scalaris Valenciennes			1	4	6			
Terebra ?albocincta (Carpenter)				1				
Terebra armillata Hinds		1		3				
Terebra intertincta Hinds			1					
# Terebra lingualis Hinds				1				
# Terebra panamensis Dall			3					
Terebra specillata Hinds				2				
Terebra variegata Gray				6				
Terebra species	l				1			

LIST 4. Continued)

SPECIES	NO. OF	NO. OF SPECIMENS (STATIONS GROUPED DEPTH IN FATHOMS					
SPECIES	1-3	3-12	10-18	14-25	30-50		
PYRAMIDELLACEA							
Odostomia (Miralda) exarata Carpenter		2					
Odostomia (Miralda) species			2				
Odostomia (Scalenostoma) dotella					1		
Dall and Bartsch							
Odostomia species			1				
Pyramidella adamsi Carpenter	3	1	2				
Pyramidella auricoma Dall		1	2				
Pyramidella (Voluspa) new species	2						
Triptychus new species		1		1			
Turbonilla (Careliopsis) stenogyra			1				
Dall and Bartsch							
Turbonilla (Careliopsis) species				2			
Turbonilla (Mormula) coyotensis		1	4	1			
Hanna and Strong							
Turbonilla species		5	3	1	15		
•							
BULLACEA							
# Atys casta Carpenter		3					
Atys chimera Baker and Hanna				1			
Bulla punctulata A. Adams	12	9	5	_			
Bulla species	**	5					
Haminoea angelensis		2					
Baker and Hanna	1	-					
Haminoea species		1					
?Sulcoretusa species		1			2		
Volvulella species					1		
voicitia species					_		
SCAPHANDRACEA							
Acteocina angustior Baker and Hanna	3	6	1				
Cylichnella species		5	9				
ay vvolvivo a species							
PTEROPODA							
Cavolina trispinosa Lesueur		1					
Cavolina species					1		
Clio species				1	_		

SPECIES	NO. OI	NO. OF SPECIMENS (STATIONS GROUPED) DEPTH IN FATHOMS					
	1-3	3-12	10-18	14-25	30-50		
SIPHONARIACEA #Siphonaria brannani Stearns Williamia peltoides (Carpenter)	2		1	5			
Umbraculum ovale (Carpenter)				1			

List 5. Polyplacophora (Chitons) from Isla Espíritu Santo and Isla Partida, Baja California, Mexico.

ISCHNOCHITONIDAE

Ischnochiton (Radsiella) tridentatus Pilsbry - Abundant.

Lepidozona serrata (Carpenter) - Fairly common.

Stenoplax mariposa Dall - Fairly common.

CHAETOPLEURIDAE

Chaetopleura lurida (Sowerby) - Common.

CHITONIDAE

Chiton virgulatus Sowerby - Common.

ACANTHOCHITONIDAE

Acanthochitona exquisita (Pilsbry).

The above list is based on specimens in the collection of the California Academy of Sciences. More intense collecting in the area would undoubtedly add more species to it.

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